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It will thus be seen that the Government have realised the need for improving the roads which are in a bad condition and are taking all possible steps to see that urgent improvements are carried out to these roads before they are handed over to the newly formed Panchayat Unions. The programme of improvements to these roads has to be taken up on a phased basis consistent with the resources available.

IV.—GOVERNMENT BILLS.

(1) THE EVACUEE INTEREST (SEPARATION) MADRAS SUPPLEMENTARY BILL, 1960.

* THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : Sir, I beg leave to introduce the Evacuee Interest (Separation) Madras Supplementary Bill, 1960[a] and move—

"that the Bill be taken into consideration."

I shall briefly explain the provisions of the Bill and the amendments.

Although the Evacuee Interest (Separation) Act, 1951 (Central Act LXIV of 1951) has been in force for over nine years, applications for the separation of evacuee interests from composite properties are still being filed. In the absence of a provision in the Act. fixing a time-limit for filing applications, applications could still be filed with the result that it was not possible to complete the work in the near future. Parliament, has therefore enacted the Evacuee Interest (Separation) Amendment Act, 1960 (Central Act 27 of 1960) so as to provide that no application under section 6 of the principal Act shall be entertained if filed after the expiry of one year from the commencement of the Amendment Act. The Amendment Act came into force on the 15th October 1960. As it is likely that some of the claims may relate to matters in the State List in the Seventh Schedule to the Constitution and in order to make the amendment effective in the State in so far as they relate to matters in the State List, it was necessary to enact suitable supplementary legislation. As the Legislature was not in session, the Evacuee Interest (Separation) Madras Supplementary Ordinance 1960 (Madras Ordinance 2 of 1960) was promulgated by the Governor. The Evacuee Interest (Separation) Madras Supplementary Bill, 1960 is intended to replace the above Ordinance. As the Bill could not be taken up for consideration in 1960 (the eleventh year of the Republic of India), the year of the Bill has to be amended. Hence th amendments. Sir, with these words, I recommend the Bill and the amendments for acceptance of the House.

MR. SPEAKER : The question is—

"That the Evaucee Interest (Separation) Madras Supplementary Bill, 1960 be taken into consideration."

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The motion was put and carried and the Bill was taken into consideration.

Clauses 2 and 3 were put and carried.

Clause 1.

MR. SPEAKER : The motion is—

'That clause 1 do stand part of the Bill.'

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : Sir, I move the following amendment :—

'In clause 1, sub-clause (1), for the figures, "1960", substitute the figures "1961."

MR. SPEAKER : The question is—

'In clause 1, sub-clause (1) for the figures "1960", substitute the figures "1961".'

The amendment was put and carried.

Clause 1 as amended was put and carried.

Preamble.

MR. SPEAKER : The motion is—

'That the Preamble do stand part of the Bill.'

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : Sir, I move the following amendment :—

'In the Preamble, *for* the words "Eleventh year" *substitute* the words "Twelfth year".'

MR. SPEAKER : The question is—

'In the Preamble, *for* the words "Eleventh Year," *substitute* the words "Twelfth year."

The amendment was put and carried.

The Preamble as amended was put and carried.

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : Sir, I move—

"That the Evacuee interest (Separation) Madras Supplementary Bill, 1960, as amended be passed."

The motion was put and carried and the Bill as amended was passed.

(2) THE MADRAS GENERAL SALES TAX (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1961 (L.A. BILL NO. 1 OF 1961).

* THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : Sir, I beg to move that the Madras General Sales Tax (Amendment) Bill[a], 1961. (L.A. Bill No. 1 of 1961) be taken into consideration.

கனம் சபாநாயகர் அவர்களே, நாம் நமது பொது விற்பனை வரியை 1959-ம் ஆண்டு திருத்தியமைத்தோம். திருத்தியமைக்கிற காலத்தில் பல பண்டங்களுக்கு ஒரு முனை வரி

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